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Subject:

Second Review of Notice of Intention to Commence Large Mining Operations, Denison

Mines, LaSal Mines Complex Mine, M/037/0026, San Juan County, Utah

Dear Ms. Woodward:

The Division of Oil, Gas and Mining has completed a review of your Notice of Intention to Commence Large Mining Operations (NOI) for the La Sal/Snowball/Pandora mine complex, which was received November 9, 2011. The attached comments will need to be addressed before tentative approval may be granted.

Only a few deficiencies remain. We therefore suggest that you submit two complete, clean (redline/strikeout removed) copies of the NOI with a cover letter highlighting where changes have been made. Upon final approval, the Division will stamp both copies approved and return one to you for your records.

The Division will suspend further review of the Notice of Intention until your response to this letter is received. If you have any questions in this regard please contact me at 801-538-5261 or Tom Munson at 801-538-5321. Thank you for your cooperation in completing this permitting action.

Sincerely,

Paul B. Baker

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Attachment: Review

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SECOND REVIEW OF NOTICEOF INTENTION TO COMMENCE LARGE MINING OPERATIONS Denison Mines La Sal Mines Complex

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R647-4-105 - Maps, Drawings & Photographs

General Map Comments

Com ment #	Sheet/Pag e/ Map/Tabl e #		Initia Is	Revie w Actio n
1		Please include a geology map or refer to Figures 3-1 and 3-2 in appendix H under section 106.8.	LH	

R647-4-106 - Operation Plan

General Operation Comments

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2		Commit in the text to follow MSHA safety for explosives and commit in the text to include public safety considerations when blasting.	LH	

106.8 - Depth to groundwater, extent of overburden, geology

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3		Include narrative on geology under 106.8.	LH	

109.4 - Slope stability, erosion control, air quality, safety

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4	Pg 29	Include the maximum slope angles for stockpiles and dumps. Commit in the text to maintain a minimum FOS (Factor of Safety) for slope stability (site-specific FOS) and commit to maintain the FOS if geologic factors and/or the phreatic surface changes.		

R647-4-113 - Surety

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5	Bonding	Please include the following indirect costs in the bond calculations:	whw	
	worksheet Total or summary sheet	Indirect Costs		100
		Mob/Demob 10.0%		
		Contingency 5.0%		
		Engineering Redesign 2.5%		
		Main Office Expense 6.8%		
		Project Management Fee 2.5%		
		Subtotal Indirect Costs 26.8%		
6	Earthwork Sheet	The earthwork sheets were designed to be used with costs from Blue Book. The information in the earthwork sheets appears to use information from RS Means. The Division will allow this, but the demolition worksheet should be modified so the RS Means costs can be directly incorporated into the worksheets. Please contact Wayne Western at 801 538-5263 with any questions.	whw	